

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strike through~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

1. (currently amended) A printer (2) ~~for printing out a report relating to data recorded by a tachograph (1) in a commercial vehicle, the printer comprising:~~
~~- a supply (9) of printing medium (10), comprising~~
~~- a medium transport device (15) by means of which arranged such that printing medium (10) can be conveyed in an output transport direction (12),~~
~~- comprising a control unit (3) which arranged to control controls at least the medium transport device (15), and~~
~~- wherein characterized in that the control unit (3) is designed arranged such that it activates the medium transport device (15) in such a way that the medium transport device (15) carries out a rest state transport at periodic intervals, within which, even without the presence of a print job (6), the medium transport device (15) transports the printing medium (10) in and/or counter to an output transport direction (12).~~
2. (currently amended) The printer (2) ~~as claimed in according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein~~ the conveying travel (40) of the rest state transport of the printing medium (10) in one direction is between 0.5 mm and 30 mm.
3. (currently amended) The printer (2) ~~as claimed in according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that wherein~~ the control unit (3) is ~~designed arranged~~ such that it activates the medium transport device (15) during the rest state transport in such a way that the printing medium (10) is initially conveyed from an initial position (30) counter to the output transport direction (12) and is then

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transported back into the initial position (30) in the output transport direction (12).

4. (currently amended) The printer (2) ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1, 2 or 3, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the printing medium (10) of the supply (9) is rolled up as a coiled strip (16).
5. (currently amended) The printer (2) ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1, 2, 3 or 4, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the printer (2) is ~~designed as a~~ thermal printer and the printing medium (10) ~~as is~~ thermal printing paper (20).
6. (currently amended) The printer (2) ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the printer (2) ~~has~~ comprises a print head (7), the printing medium (10) ~~is~~ arranged to be fed to the print head (7) by means of a pressure roller (8), and the pressure medium (10) ~~is arranged to rest upon rests on the~~ pressure roller (8).
7. (currently amended) The printer (2) ~~as claimed in~~ according to -claim 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the control unit (3) is ~~designed in~~ arranged such a way that, at the start of an activation of the printer (2) ~~the printer causes~~ caused by means of a print job (6), activation is to be initially carried out in such a way that the rest state transport takes place before the print job (6) is processed.
8. (currently amended) A method for controlling a printer (2) in order to print out a report relating to the data recorded by a tachograph (1) in a commercial vehicle, the method comprising the steps of:
~~characterized in that, transporting printing material with a medium transport~~
device, even without a print job (6), a medium transport device (15) transports
the printing medium (10) in and/or counter to an output transport direction
(12) at periodic intervals during rest state transport.

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9. (currently amended) The method ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 98, ~~characterized in that that wherein~~ the conveying travel (40) of the rest state transport of the printing medium (10) in one direction is between 0.5 mm and 30 mm.
10. (currently amended) The method ~~as claimed in claimed according to claim 108~~, ~~characterized in that wherein~~, during the rest state transport, the printing medium (10) is initially conveyed from an initial position (30) counter to the output transport direction (12) and is then transported back into the initial position (30) in the output transport direction (12).
11. (currently amended) The method ~~as claimed in according to claim 98 or 10~~, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the printing medium (10) of the supply (9) is rolled up as a coiled strip (16).
12. (currently amended) The method ~~as claimed in according to claim 89, 10 or 11~~, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the printer (2) is ~~designed as a~~ thermal printer and the printing medium (10) ~~as is~~ thermal printing paper (20).
13. (currently amended) The method ~~as claimed in according to claim 108 or 11~~, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the printing of the printing medium (10) is carried out by means of a print head (7), the printing medium (10) is fed to the print head (7) by means of a pressure roller (8), and the printing medium (10) rests on the pressure roller (8).
14. (currently amended) The method ~~as claimed in according to claim 98, 10, 11, 12 or 13~~, ~~characterized in that wherein~~, at the start of an activation of the printer (2) caused by means of a print job (6), the rest state transport takes place before the print job (6) is processed.
15. (currently amended) The method ~~as claimed in according to claim 98, 10, 11, 12, 13 or 14~~, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the rest state transport is carried out at periodically repeating intervals of between 10 hours and 40 hours.

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